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DEADLOCK THREATENS IN ASSEMBLY

Senate Tables the Joint Rules Which Give Republicans Control of the Committees

WEBSTER ELECTED SPEAKER BY THREE VOTES

Sabin S. Russell of Dayville Elected Clerk—Democrats in House Raise Cry of "Gag Rule" Inauguration Delayed While Members of Assembly Wrangle For Partisan Advantage—Senator Avery on Committee to Canvass Vote

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 8.—The legislature of 1913 began its sitting today under conditions which may lead to a deadlock. Governor Baldwin was sworn into office hours after the appointed time because the house was not organized sufficiently at the scheduled time to permit the naming of a joint committee to declare him, the lieutenant governor and state officers duly elected and entitled to receive the oaths of office.

The accepted idea that the general assembly was usually waiting to receive the chief magistrate of the commonwealth was rudely shattered. It is true that for generation or more legislators have lined the corridors or hung over the ballustrades to watch the incoming party troop up-

ferred by their opponents. Two separate contests came on the question of the joint rules and joint rules of the legislature. Representative Thomas of Waterbury, as democratic floor leader, was constantly on his feet to combat, by motions, the efforts of the republicans to get the rules through. The republicans with sandwiches and wine, explained that the democrats wanted to examine the rules to offer changes in them, to bring them up to the times and to secure for themselves better representation on these committees.

Wants Committee Democratic. He said that the state is democratic, the administration is democratic, the legislature is democratic on joint ballot and the committees should be democratic. Under the present rules the republicans are likely to control the joint committees. "They are gag rules," Mr. Thomas asserted. The house members had clung to their seats steadily from 10 o'clock in the morning, and it was 4 o'clock before the joint rules resolution was passed and sent to the senate. The senate was hungry and there was nothing to eat in the building except the lunch prepared for the governor's party in the executive offices, and which was to have been served long before. A youngster showed up in the corridors with sandwiches, and his supply disappeared in a jiffy.

Cry of "Gag Rule" Raised. The house rushed through a number of resolutions which permitted canvassing the vote and the election of governor and others of their election. The house members had a short recess while the senate, receiving the joint rules resolution, was in session. The senate had recessed at 11 a. m. and resumed its sitting at 2 p. m. Senator McNeil moved to table the joint rules resolution. Senators Weed, Isbelle and McCarthy were named as a committee on contested elections, and then Senator Perry, republican, saying that he wished to test the good faith of the democrats, called for the joint rules resolution. Mr. Perry thanked Mr. McNeil for his frankness and withdrew his motion.

Lieutenant Governor sworn in. Lieutenant Governor Tinsley, having declared elected, was sworn in by Chief Justice Hall. Immediately thereafter the senate marched downstairs to the house chamber and went into joint convention, with Lieutenant Governor Tinsley presiding. Kenneth Wynne as clerk and Rev. Mr. Francis as chaplain. The committee waited upon Governor Baldwin and the executive, justices of the supreme court, state officers and the governor's staff and the executive Secretary Thomas went through the corridors to the house under the leadership of High Sheriff Dewey. After the reading of the message the state officers were sworn in, it being then 6 o'clock.

Both branches got rid of minor business and the members hurriedly left for home, many being compelled to

Democrats Balk on Joint Rules. The condition in which the legislature ended its first day was that the joint rules committee, which the democrats have been passing by the house tabled by the senate. The latter body, being democratic, did not desire to adopt the rules which gave republican legislatures. Speaker Webster can name his committees, and he expected the democrats to do so, but Senator Landers will probably withhold his committees until the joint rule tangle is settled. Prolonged disagreement will mean failure to transact business.

The joint rules call for two senators and nine representatives on joint committees. The advantage is entirely with Speaker Webster, for he can name as few democrats as he wishes. If Senator Landers should retaliate and name no republican senators, the democrats would be impotent in committee.

Republicans Will Control Committees. On the face of things, little can be done business-wise until the two bodies get closer together. The democrats have taken the first step by holding a conference and naming Senators Landers, McDermott and E. C. Wood as members of a committee to devise means to end the disagreement. It is believed that Speaker Webster will be asked to concede the places to the democrats on his committees, which would give the democrats four or five out of eleven places on the committees and yet not deprive the republicans of committee control.

Both bodies can receive business but cannot dispose of it. Should the house have many contests on hand, as today, it is likely that the senators, after journeying here, will frequently have to go to accept meet and adjourn.

Webster Wins Speakership. The contests in the house over the speakership, the clerkship and adoption of house and joint rules. The republicans have 128 members, the progressives 8 and the democrats 129. The progressives voted with the democrats consistently, but not once did the republicans vote against the democrats. Part of the time the house chamber was cleared of all but the members and newspapermen. Five rollcalls, many rising votes and one appeal from the decision of the speaker made up an unprecedented record for the body.

The first struggle was over the choice of speaker, the democrats having in view a test on the lineup, wanted a secret ballot, while the republicans wanted a rollcall. The debate was lively before the vote was finally taken, Morris C. Webster, a republican, defeating William E. Thomas, a democrat, 129 to 128.

Russell of Dayville Elected Clerk. The democrats later favored a rollcall, and they got a lining one on the vote for clerk, in which Sabin S. Russell of Dayville won. There was no contest on the assistant clerk. More parliamentary maneuvering came when the republicans got through their list of attaches as against the list of-

Cabled Paragraphs

Mikado's Coronation in 1914. Tokyo, Jan. 8.—The Japanese cabinet decided today that the coronation of the emperor shall take place in 1914.

Ancient Wall Falls at Rome. Rome, Jan. 8.—Eleven excavators were killed and four others seriously injured today by the falling of an ancient wall.

Dockhands Strike in Peru. Callao, Peru, Jan. 8.—The shipping industry of this port has been brought to a complete standstill today by a general strike of dock laborers and longshoremen.

Leader Deakin Resigns. Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 8.—Alfred Deakin, leader of the opposition in the commonwealth house of representatives, resigned today position today, acting under the orders of his doctors.

Redmond's Daughter a Bride. London, Jan. 8.—The marriage took place today of Max Green, chairman of the Irish prison board, and formerly private secretary to the lord lieutenant of Ireland, and Miss Johanna Redmond, youngest daughter of John E. Redmond, leader of the Irish nationalist party.

Another Duel With Sabres. Budapest, Jan. 8.—Count Stephen Tisza, president of the lower house of the Hungarian parliament, fought another duel today and succeeded in wounding his opponent, Count Aladar Sechenyi. The weapons were sabres, and Count Sechenyi was wounded in the head. Count Tisza was not hurt.

Loyal to King and Maura. Madrid, Jan. 8.—A meeting of the conservative senators and deputies of the Spanish parliament today passed a vote declaring their adherence to the king and the monarchy and naming Antonio Maura chief of the party. It is believed, however, that Senator Maura will refuse to return to politics.

ARBITRATION PROPOSALS TO RAILROAD FIREMEN. Managers Make Two, But Object to Erdman Law Plan.

New York, Jan. 8.—To arbitrate or take a strike vote was the alternative today to the managers of the 25,000 firemen on fifty eastern railroads. Through their conference committee, the managers of the firemen rejected this afternoon the firemen's proposal to arbitrate under the Erdman law. Instead, the railroads made two counter proposals.

First.—To meet with the firemen's representatives and appoint an arbitration committee, consisting of one representative from each of the firemen's organizations and one from each of the railroads, and refer the dispute to a tribunal of seven men, one each to be appointed by the parties concerned, and the other five to be named by the federal labor commission, the president of the commerce court and the chief justice of the United States supreme court. The railroads objected to the demands arising from the Erdman law for four reasons, among them being the fact that three men would settle the controversy.

Second.—To follow the precedent set in the case of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and refer the dispute to a tribunal of seven men, one each to be appointed by the parties concerned, and the other five to be named by the federal labor commission, the president of the commerce court and the chief justice of the United States supreme court. The railroads objected to the demands arising from the Erdman law for four reasons, among them being the fact that three men would settle the controversy.

With the award made in the engineering case, the firemen were loath to have the case go before a tribunal of seven men. None of the party leaders of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Firemen and Engineers, or the Firemen's union, cared this afternoon to forecast the next move.

RODE ON FLOATING PLANK FIVE HOURS. Quartermaster of Rosecrans Tells of His Captain's Bravery.

Astoria, Oregon, Jan. 8.—How the seamen of the oil tank steamer Rosecrans, after the vessel was crushed ashore at the mouth of the Columbia yesterday was told tonight by Fred Peters, the quartermaster, who drifted ashore on a plank at 7 o'clock. According to Peters, Captain Johnson of the Rosecrans remained to the last at his post in the pilot house directing the crew, and his crew though he was suffering a broken leg. There were eight men on duty at the time the vessel was crushed. The crew of the Rosecrans was broken up in their berths. The night was a wild one but it was decided by the officer in command that it would not be too hazardous to attempt to transfer the crew to the Columbia. In the storm and rain the men at the wheel, according to Peters, did not get the light for the lights which is anchored off the Columbia and steered the vessel upon the rock. "The back-bone of the Rosecrans was broken and there was nothing to do but wait," said Peters.

The men waited for the death that appeared inevitable. Captain Johnson stood at his post directing the crew, though his leg had been broken by a falling spar.

Peters had just talked with Captain Johnson when a big wave washed over the ship and the crew was scattered. He grasped a floating plank and rode it for five hours before he finally drifted ashore.

NATIONAL BANKING LAWS ARE FAULTY. Comptroller of Currency Says They Are Ineffective.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Faults in the national banking laws were discussed today before the house money trust committee by Comptroller of the currency Lawrence O. Murray. Mr. Murray spent more than three hours under examination by Samuel Undermyer, counsel for the committee, and with many of the criticisms of the national bank advanced by Mr. Undermyer. He asserted that the act as at present constituted was "ineffective and inadequate."

Mr. Murray furnished the committee with data from his office as President Taft had directed him to supply, which, however, was but a small part of the information which the committee requested.

Richard Watson Seager, Musical Composer.

Los Angeles, Jan. 8.—Richard Watson Seager, musical composer, died here today. He was 82 years old. Among his compositions the cantata "Queen Esther" probably was the most popular.

Harry Brown, Alias Harry West, was given a sentence of from 13 to 35 years in state prison for burglary in New Haven yesterday. He broke into the residence of Dr. W. S. Quinn in the early morning of October 5, escaped after a violent struggle with the physician, and was later captured in Westville.

Low Wages to German Help

CONDITIONS IN FOREIGN FACTORIES EXPLOITED.

HEARING ON TARIFF ADVISED BY POWERS

Girls in Bottle Plants in Germany Work Eleven Hours and Receive \$4 a Week, Witness Says.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Talk of trusts of domestic and foreign varieties, of low wages and women workers in industries abroad, has enabled strong foreign competition with American enterprise and of capital's great stake in the tariff tinkering, culminated in hearing on the earthenware and glassware schedule of the Payne-Aldrich tariff act, before the committee on ways and means today.

It was the first of the two days of arguments on the second schedule of the existing law. A declaration of Chairman Underwood of the committee, the democratic leader of the house, that he was satisfied with the showing made of the keenly competitive conditions in the pottery industry, was accepted as an assurance of an undisturbed pottery tariff.

No Glass Trust Here. All the representatives of the different window glass, stained glass window and the plate glass interests denied the existence of any trust in their particular business. But running through most of the testimony were references to trusts abroad in various lines of capital, a constant reminder of the danger to the border lines threatening to invade this country if the tariff bars were let down.

Reduce Wages or Shut Down the Factories. Former Governor William A. Stone of Pennsylvania insisted that the National Window Glass association depended in its price making solely upon the threat of shutting down the 25,000 factories who are strongly opposed to the resumption of the Serbian and Slav races, and wishing to take advantage of the Serbian desire to avoid a great war are imposing unjust conditions both on Serbia and Montenegro.

Small Margin of Profit on Glass. He said there were 35 window glass factories in Germany, a distinctly class that did not have today enough profit to justify a single sale at less than the current price. He said there was an attempt about five years ago to regulate prices among the window glass companies, but the government broke it up, and there had been no attempt in that direction since. "The price," he said, "fixes itself. Take any product that is never produced in this country and you'll find the price running up and down until it steadies down into a price."

Prices Same at All Factories. "Isn't there any arrangement among the window glass companies about fixing prices?" queried Chairman Underwood. "No sir."

It has been represented to me by purchasers that no matter what window glass factories they send to, the quotations are always the same. "That's true of every product, including window glass," he replied.

Thermos Conditions in Germany. C. P. Altenberg of Cincinnati, comparing labor here and abroad in Thermos bottle manufacturing, testified that he had seen in Germany employ girls at from four dollars a week upward, working 11 hours a day, "standing over a big hot flame that roars like a cyclone."

"Only requires lung power," suggested Representative Longworth of Ohio. "A little endurance," replied the witness.

CITRUS FRUIT CROP DAMAGED \$25,000,000. Oranges Adversely 50 Cents a Box as Result of Freeze.

Los Angeles, Jan. 8.—Twenty-five millions of dollars was the amount fixed today by citrus growers for the damage to the citrus crop caused by the freeze. The citrus growers' exchange, said that the damage to the citrus crop was estimated at \$25,000,000. Oranges advanced 50 cents a box on the Los Angeles wholesale market today. The citrus growers' exchange, said that the damage to the citrus crop was estimated at \$25,000,000. Oranges advanced 50 cents a box on the Los Angeles wholesale market today.

A LONG CONFERENCE WITH TWO SENATORS. Wilson Speads Three Hours with Smith and Gore.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 8.—President-elect Wilson sat for three hours in his office here today in conference with Senators Smith of Georgia and Gore of Oklahoma. He left the field he had covered in the conference Mr. Wilson declared that he was not prepared to discuss the possibilities he had discussed a programme for the extra session including the tariff currency legislation.

When his visitors arrived Governor Wilson found that they had dined beforehand so he denied himself the pleasure of a lunch with them. The afternoon. Both senators departed with their lips sealed.

Cuban Editor in a Duel. Havana, Jan. 8.—Colonel Orestes Ferrera, editor of the "Prensa," was killed today in a duel with Miguel Coyula of the editorial staff of La Lucha, fought a duel with swords today. Neither was seriously injured. The duel was the outcome of certain strictures on Colonel Ferrera published by that paper.

Steamers Reported by Wireless. Seale Island, N. S., Jan. 8.—Steamer St. Paul, Southampton for New York, reported when 680 miles east of Sandy Hook at 5.30 p. m. Dock 8.30 a. m. Friday.

The Surrender of Adrianople

BALKAN DELEGATES EXPECT IT IN FEW DAYS.

Turks Will Be Urged to Cede Adrianople—Are at Odds Themselves, Regarding the Aegean Islands.

London, Jan. 8.—The capitulation of Adrianople will be the opinion of the Balkan plenipotentiaries take place within a few days either directly to the besieged forces or through European pressure. Pending some fresh development, the Balkan delegates are keeping in close touch because they are aware that some developments are pending.

Europe May Have to Intervene. Should the fall of Adrianople still be delayed, now that the conference is suspended, it might become imperative for Europe to intervene, otherwise creating the impression that they were creators of peace.

Amused at Turks' Sensitiveness. The allies, especially the Servians and Montenegrins, are amused at the sensitiveness of the Turks displayed at the sudden suspension of the last sitting of the peace conference by the presiding officer, Mr. Novokovitch, and the insistence the strict etiquette be observed.

Austria's Attitude Explained. One of the great aspects of the situation as unbiased observers view it, is the failure of Austria to give any sign of demobilization in spite of Serbia's sacrifices for a peaceful solution. Serbia even going to far as to evacuate the Adriatic coast. Austria's action is explained by the fact that Emperor Francis Joseph owing to his advanced age, has practically abdicated the direction of affairs to the crown prince. The prince is entirely in the hands of the most reactionary elements who are strongly opposed to the resumption of the Serbian and Slav races, and wishing to take advantage of the Serbian desire to avoid a great war are imposing unjust conditions both on Serbia and Montenegro.

TO CEDE ADRIANOPLE. Powers So Advise Turkey But Disagree On Aegean Islands.

Paris, Jan. 8.—It is learned here that the allied powers have practically reached an agreement to advise Turkey to cede on the question of Adrianople, but the powers are not in harmony concerning the disposition of the Aegean Islands.

The triple entente—Great Britain, France and Russia—are inclining back the desire of the allies for the cession of the islands to Greece, but the triple alliance—Germany, Austria and Italy—favor leaving to Turkey those islands near the Turkish coast, particularly those close to the Dardanelles.

Difficulties is being experienced in the settlement of the question of Albania, as Austria shows no disposition to accept the triple entente's attitude, and France and Russia are especially anxious to include Scutari within the limits of the new Albania. It is understood that the powers will make no representations to the Porte before the end of the week.

BID OF \$7,080,000 FOR U. S. MOTORS PROPERTY. According to Receivers, Assets Are Valued at \$12,728,165.

New York, Jan. 8.—The properties of the United States motor company, and its five subsidiaries brought a bid of \$7,080,000 when placed at auction today under a decree of foreclosure issued by the United States district court. The bid was received from Henry G. Holt and William McAllister, the company's re-organization committee. Judge Hough reserved decision on accepting the bid. According to a statement of the receivers the company's assets are valued at \$12,728,165.

ONLY 73 RAILROAD CLERKS AGAINST STRIKE. Official Figures Show 1681 Voted in Favor of One.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 8.—Complete that the total strike vote of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks employed on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, yesterday, was 73 against a strike and 728 against. The vote was taken in connection with their demand on the company for readjustment of various matters in hereby commencing in wages and an eight hour day.

EPIDEMIC RAGES, PROVISIONS SHORT. Town of Gale, Ill., Practically Cut Off from Its Neighbors.

Cairo, Ill., Jan. 8.—Gale, Ill., thirty miles north of here, is nearly cut off from the surrounding country, and a shortage of provisions is adding to the horror of the cerebro-spinal meningitis epidemic, from which one or two persons are dying daily, according to reports received here. Trouble in buying the dead is also reported.

Military Officers Pass. Hartford, Conn., Jan. 8.—Adjutant General George M. Cole, who said that the following officers of the Connecticut National guard have passed a satisfactory examination, and are hereby commissioned with these ranks: Second Infantry—Captain Robert S. G. Hannagan, Company H, Waterbury; Captain Harry C. Ward, Company F, New Haven; First Lieutenant Carl F. Bollman, Company F, New Haven; First Lieutenant Steel Watkins, Company H, Waterbury.

Celebrated Silver Wedding. South Manchester, Conn., Jan. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Sweet celebrated their silver wedding anniversary tonight in the local armory and were attended by a large number of guests. More than half of those present presented Mr. and Mrs. Sweet with silver dollars.

A Suit for Unpaid Taxes for three years has been brought against the Connecticut Fair association by the tax collector of West Hartford in which town the property of the association is located. The amount due is placed at \$1,092.12.

Condensed Telegrams

Miss Kate Curry, said to have been 105 years of age, died at Lowell, Mass., yesterday.

The Cumberland River is reported out of its banks at several points in Kentucky.

Investigation of the High Price of coal in Maine is proposed in an order presented to the senate yesterday.

A Dozen Fresh Laid Eggs, shipped from Portland, Ore., to the president by parcels post, arrived in good condition.

The First Snowstorm witnessed in Sacramento, Cal., in years began on Tuesday night and still was in progress yesterday.

Moderation in the Weather and an increased flow in the mains ended the winter family that has prevailed at Salt Lake City for two days.

The Strict Prohibition of bird hunting in Rhode Island, has resulted in a notable increase in birds of all kinds seen throughout the island.

Judge J. B. F. Osgood, who claimed the distinction of being the oldest legislator in Massachusetts, died at his home in Salem yesterday in his 90th year.

Chinese Robbers yesterday shot and killed John, infant son of Rev. R. C. Joffile of the Canadian Methodist mission between Chengtu and Chungking.

Paraguay, Which for Eight Years past has been without any diplomatic representative to the United States, has chosen Dr. Hector Velasquez to be minister here.

Of the Ship's Company of 36 who sailed from San Francisco in the oil tanker Rosecrans, only three survived the loss of the vessel on the rocks of Peacock Spit.

Teck Duncan, a convict serving a life sentence in Alabama, for murder, is said to have confessed to knowledge of 21 murders in "Bloody Heat," Jefferson county.

Cipriano Castro, Venezuela's former president, who is detained by the immigration authorities at Ellis Island, must remain under detention there at least till Friday.

Commissioner Franklin K. Lane of California was elected yesterday by the interstate commerce commission to serve as its chairman for the year beginning Jan. 15.

William Shine, a 27 year old lawyer of Oklahoma, was committed to the New York hospital, where he was a patient.

Merritt Hacker, aged 7, coasted into an automobile driven by Philip Flood, 19, yesterday at Lynn, Mass., and was seriously injured that he died on the way to a hospital.

In the First Election since women enfranchisement in Arizona, the democratic candidates for municipal offices won every contest at Prescott except that for chief of police.

Senator Stephenson introduced a bill providing a pension of \$2,500 a year for Mrs. M. MacArthur, widow of Lieutenant General MacArthur, who commanded in the Philippines.

The Constitutionalality of the white slave act, which was submitted to the supreme court with oral argument on several cases arising under it. One was the case of Jack Johnson.

The Duchess of Connaught, wife of the governor general of Canada, is suffering from a recurrence of peritonitis and has been deemed advisable to remove her to the hospital at Montreal.

A Petition for a State-Wide senatorial preference primary on Feb. 6 was filed in the Massachusetts senate yesterday by Arthur D. Hill, one of the progressive leaders in the fall campaign.

John E. Humphries, a bank employee, of Washington, D. C., was indicted for forgery and embezzlement by the grand jury of which his father was foreman. The father signed the indictment.

Postmaster Mansfield, of Boston, swore in Harry M. Jones, the young aviator, as a special mail carrier for the Boston office. Jones proposed to carry about 25 pounds of mail matter at a trip.

With Markedly Higher Temperatures prevailing "smudging" was successful tonight night in saving California oranges and lemons that had been only "shipped" by the cold for the previous two days.

William Rockefeller Probably Will never be able to appear as a witness in the finance inquiry being conducted by the Pujo committee at Washington, D. C., because of his illness. Dr. Walter F. Chapell, his physician.

Threatened by Serious Flood

SECTIONS OF THREE STATES UNDER WATER

RIVERS RISE RAPIDLY

Ohio Coming Up at Rate of Six Inches an Hour—Hundreds of People Already Driven From Homes.

Pittsburg, Jan. 8.—Portions of western Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia are facing a serious flood situation tonight, owing to a steady and rapid rise of the various rivers and small streams. A wide area of lowland is under water.

Hundreds Driven From Homes. Hundreds of persons have been driven from their homes, many buildings are partly flooded, a number of transportation companies are crippled and several thousand men employed by industries in the flood zone have been thrown out of work.

Rising Six Inches an Hour. A stage of 29 feet was registered here tonight at the headwater of the Ohio river. Flood water continued to flow into the Ohio from both the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers and the Ohio was rising at the rate of six inches an hour.

Ten Feet Above Danger Mark. A stage of 32 feet, 10 feet above the danger mark, here, is expected before noon tomorrow.

SHIPPING COMBINATION IN CONTROL OF SEAS. Shippers Completely at Its Mercy, Declare Witnesses.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Testimony about "a shipping combination" that controlled the commerce of the seas with a strong monopoly, was presented today to the house merchant marine committee. Shippers, however, deny the existence of the combination. The former agent of one so-called "conference" or combination of shippers, who used the name of "independent lines out of the trade, of pooling profits and of dividing territory."

W. H. Douglas of the New York exporting firm of Arkell & Douglas declared that a combination of German and British lines existed, controlling the ocean, and that the steamship managers in London were able to direct the course of trade at their will.

The testimony of the former agent of the combination, who was a resident of New York, declared that the only independent line to South America, the Lloyd Brasileiro line, and that while his firm used it to an extent, its steamers were slow, and that its government appointments were not trained to the desires of the trade.

John C. Seager, the former representative of the combination, testified that for several years he was agent for the Prime Line at New York. He stated that his line, the Prime Line, a South American line and the Lampart & Holt line in a combination.

BALKAN WAR ARGUMENT FOLLOWED BY A DUEL. Duellists Embrace and Kiss and Agree to Leave Country.

New York, Jan. 8.—The United States will lose tomorrow the only two real duellists arrested in this part of the country for nearly one hundred years. Pietro Dutto and Charles Van Cortlandt, who sustained their old world notions of honor on Dec. 8 by exchanging harmless shots in a vacant room at the Hotel Hamilton, today went back to Europe if their sentences were suspended.

Dutto is an Italian and Van Cortlandt is a Dutchman. The two were brought to New York for a duel. The maximum penalty for dueling in this state is ten years in prison.

GOVERNMENT SUES FOR LOST MAILS. Brings Suit for \$50,000 Against English Steamship Company.

New York, Jan. 8.—A suit which may settle responsibility for the collision of the steamships Allegheny and Pomaron off Cape Henry Feb. 1, 1911, was brought today by the federal government against Furness, Withy & Company, Ltd., an English corporation. The action is to recover \$50,000, the value of mails aboard the Allegheny, which was lost. The defendants were owners of the Pomaron. The mails destroyed were intended for West India ports.

GIVEN A LESSON IN SCIENTIFIC FARMING. Secretary Wilson Instructs 150 Country Agents.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Acting in the capacity of a "school master," Secretary of Agriculture Wilson today gave a practical lesson in farm demonstration work to a class of 150 country agents. It was the first meeting of these agents who are starting on the scientific farming basis.

The agents will hold daily sessions here until Jan. 21, and each day they will listen to addresses on farm reorganization.

Captain Hawes Resigns. Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 8.—Captain George C. Hawes of the 14th Coast Artillery corps, has resigned, owing to press of business. He was the organizer of the machine gun corps here in 1904, which in 1907 became a part of the coast artillery service.

Dinner to Mrs. Cleveland and Finance. Washington, Jan. 8.—Mrs. Grover Cleveland and her fiancé, Prof. Thomas A. Preston, of Wells college, arrived here today and were entertained by a dinner by Mr. and Mrs. John Haye Hammond tonight.

Steamship Arrivals. London, Jan. 8.—Arrived: Steamer Arcadia, Portland. Jan. 7.—Arrived: Steamer Perugia, New York.

The British Cruiser Natal, which brought home the body of Ambassador Reid, was so badly damaged by storm in the passage of the Atlantic that she will probably remain here for two weeks.